

**MEETING SUMMARY  
FORMER WALKER AIR FORCE BASE (WAFB)  
ROSWELL INDUSTRIAL AIR CENTER (RIAC)  
RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD (RAB)  
20 JULY 2000**

<b>RAB Members Present:</b> Ron Courts David Gregory Richard Cervantes Kay Havenor Ken Hirst Leroy Lang Ethel Logan Dick Smith Kerry Hunter Raymond Prescott	<b>Affiliation:</b> City of Roswell USACE ENMU - Roswell Local Geologist National Guard New Mexico Farm Bureau Citizen, Y-O Acres Citizen Citizen Citizen
<b>RAB Members Absent:</b> Kathleen Aisling Tom Day Eva Gomez Steve Harris Tim Hutcheson Julie Jacobs Eloy Ortega Mary Kay Samples	USEPA Nova Bus Citizen, Y-O Acres Chaves County LePrino Foods NMED Chaves County Commissioner Citizen, Latimer Subdivision
<b>Facilitator:</b> Sandra Chaloux	CEC, Inc – RAB support Contractor
<b>Guests Present:</b> Gay Hirst Bob Wilson Rick Smith	<b>Affiliation:</b> National Guard USACE USACE

**Meeting Summary Review**

- One correction was noted to the meeting minutes from April 25<sup>th</sup>. Ron Courts will be added to the list of RAB members present.

**USACE Update**

- David Gregory presented four graphs that show water movement in the shallow aquifer, as well as concentrations of TCE in that area. Graphs 1 and 2 were hydrographs; Graphs 3 and 4 show concentrations over time in the vicinity of the 2 wells. He noted that in the past they have discovered there is a correlation between

the water level and the concentration in those same areas. However in Graph 4, there is a departure in what has been seen in the past. Instead of seeing the concentration drop off when the shallow alluvial aquifer goes down, the trend has been disrupted in 2 wells just off Base to the east (Rowden and Pardell), where the concentrations have gone up to 100 parts per billion. David did not want to speculate on an explanation with only one data set that showed the trend reversal. He feels that if the data points to something significant, the next sampling event will show similar results.

- While reviewing the testing results of some of the properties, David noted that there has been essentially no change in the Logan Well levels. RAB members recommended that a few more sampling rounds may tell if there might have been some sampling errors or an anomaly in the data. A RAB member suggested that David check the field notes of the sampling for the two wells to see if something may have been happening nearby during the sampling.
- David said the Corps is still considering enhanced bioremediation as a technology that could speed up the remediation of groundwater as discussed by Ian Osgerby at the last meeting. Sampling and analysis data collected during the upcoming pump test will help in determining if the environment where the contamination is located is conducive to enhanced bioremediation. There are several wells that the Corps has been sampling on a quarterly basis that have non-detect results. He hopes the State will agree that it makes sense to reduce the frequency of sampling in these wells. He would like to be able to use the funds to collect and employ any additional sampling parameters. The additional sampling parameters would cost double of what the samples cost now. A RAB member noted that it would be useful for those wells that have non-detect results to have annual sampling, unless a particular result requires additional attention.

### **New Business**

- Raymond Prescott and Kerry Hunter, have expressed interest in becoming RAB members and were present at the meeting. Seven community members were present, which created a quorum to vote on the potential members. Raymond and Kerry were elected new RAB members based on a unanimous vote.
- One RAB member supported the idea of approaching the State with the RAB's approval to drop testing the wells with non-detect results to an annual basis, and the possibility of increasing the testing parameters in other wells. Another RAB member said he was more in favor of aeration than microbial remediation because he felt aeration is a proven technology. The group discussed the value in collecting data to determine all the alternatives possible. David Gregory stated that while the Corps is trying to find more money for this project, they would like to use the funds they have in the best way possible by reducing the number of wells currently being sampled and analyzed. If the State would agree to discontinue costly sampling and analysis of wells that do not show levels of TCE above action levels, then money allocated for those wells could be re-allocated to pay for testing for the parameters that tell us a little more about natural attenuation and the degree to which it is or is not occurring.

**Next Meeting**

- The next RAB Meeting was set for October 19th, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. at the National Guard Building #524. Agenda items identified for the next RAB meeting include:
  - Quarterly sampling data
  - State update on sampling
  - Information on biotechnology/Soil sample conditions.

**Action Items**

- Action items established included:
  - One RAB member said he feels that the RAB is not connected with the rest of the community and that most people do not know much about the cleanup effort underway. The RAB requested that CEC draft a press release/project update to be reviewed by David Gregory and Kay Havenor. Another RAB member requested that the press release be forwarded to Domenici's and Skeen's offices.